

Guitar Delay Pedal Project

Background

- A delay is an audio effect which records an input signal to a storage medium, and plays it back after some period of time
- A guitar delay pedal is a device that delays the sound for some period of time before playing it back, according to the user specified length of time



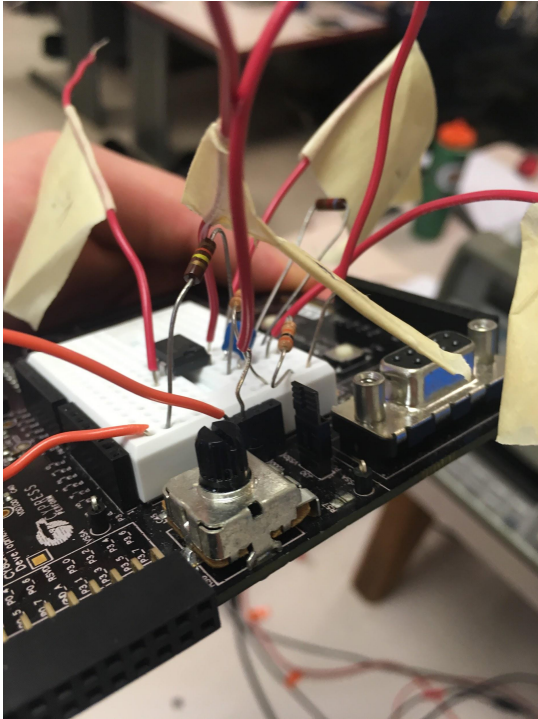
Challenge Elements

- Analog to Digital Converter (taking analog guitar input, converting to digital to read and utilize)
- Digital to Analog Converter (taking digital signal, converting to analog for output)
- Finite Impulse Response Digital Filter
- 2 Push Buttons

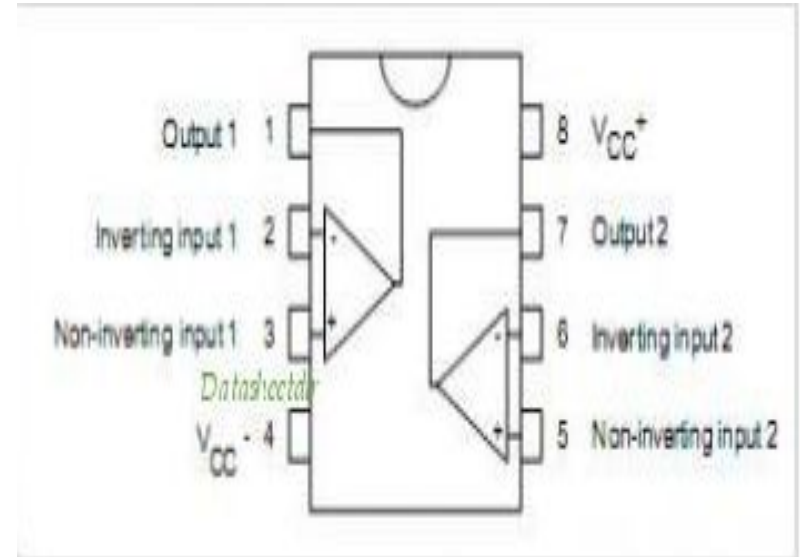
Objective

- Design a guitar pedal to take a guitar signal as an input, and output the delayed and echoed sound numerous times
- The pedal must implement a preamplifier in order to manage the negative voltage input
- The pedal must poll for updated input data in order to produce a continuous output
- The pedal must use an ADC in order to read and utilize the input

Current Model

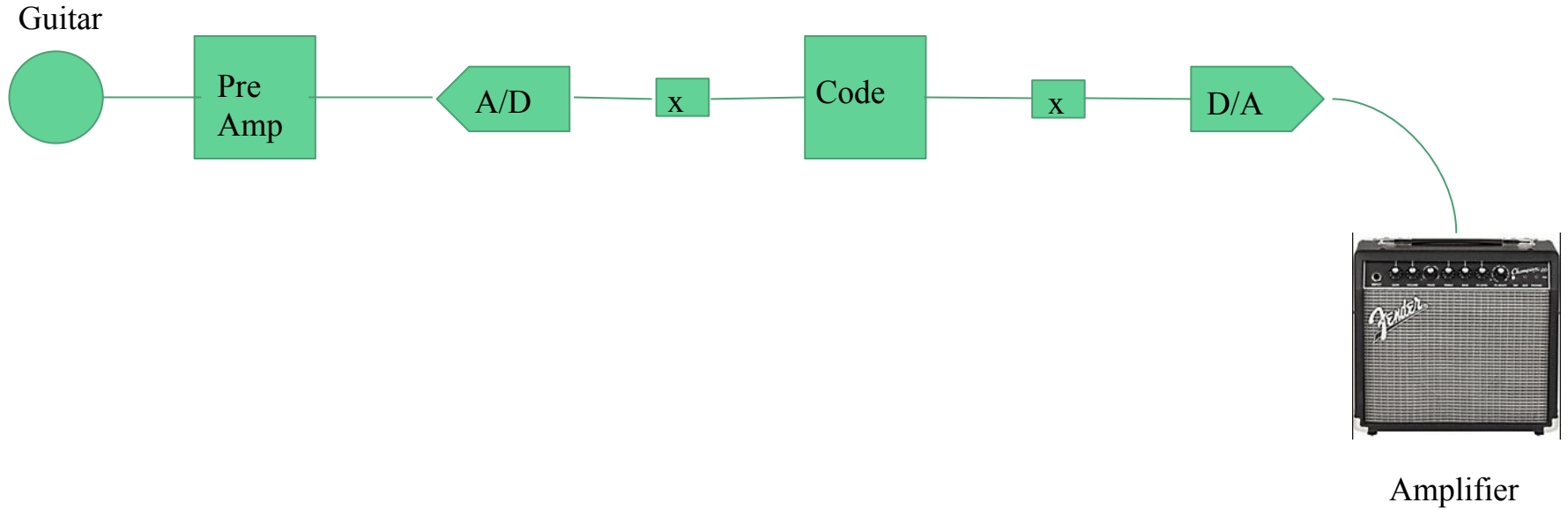


Physical Implementation of Circuit Design

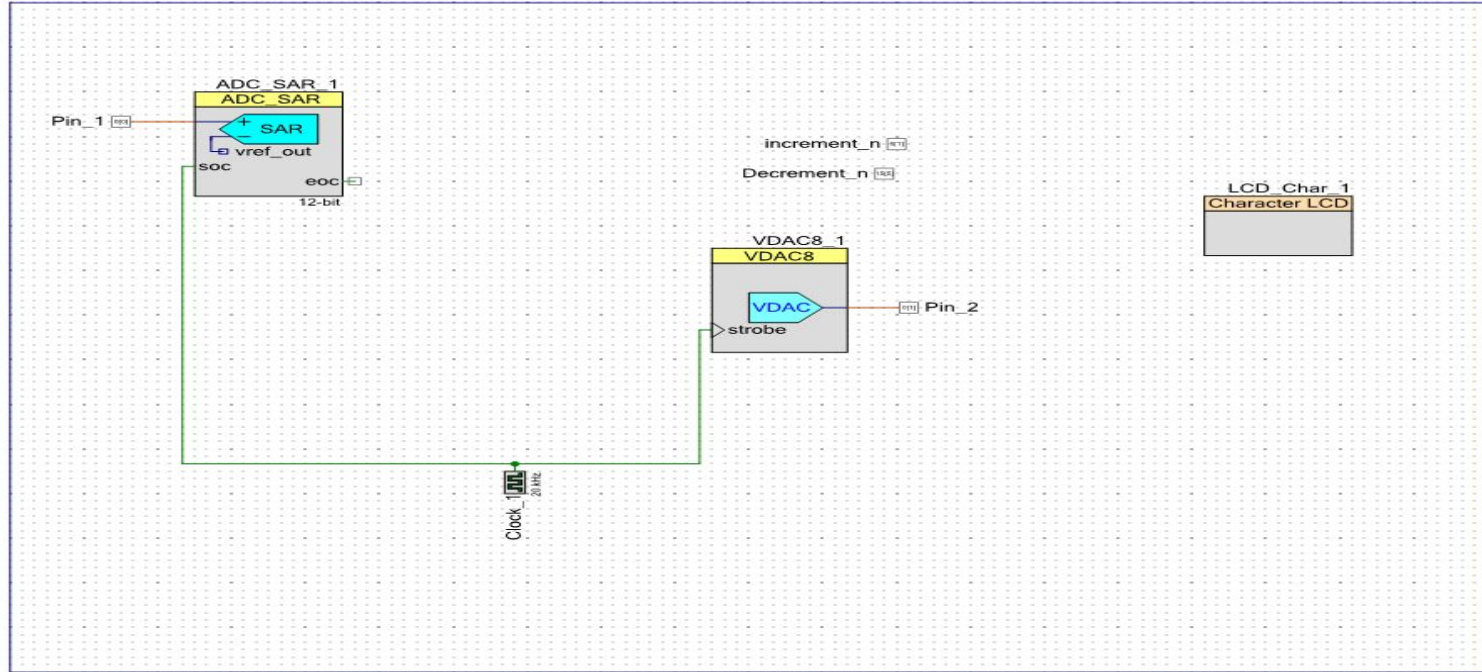


Dual Op-Amp (MC1458)

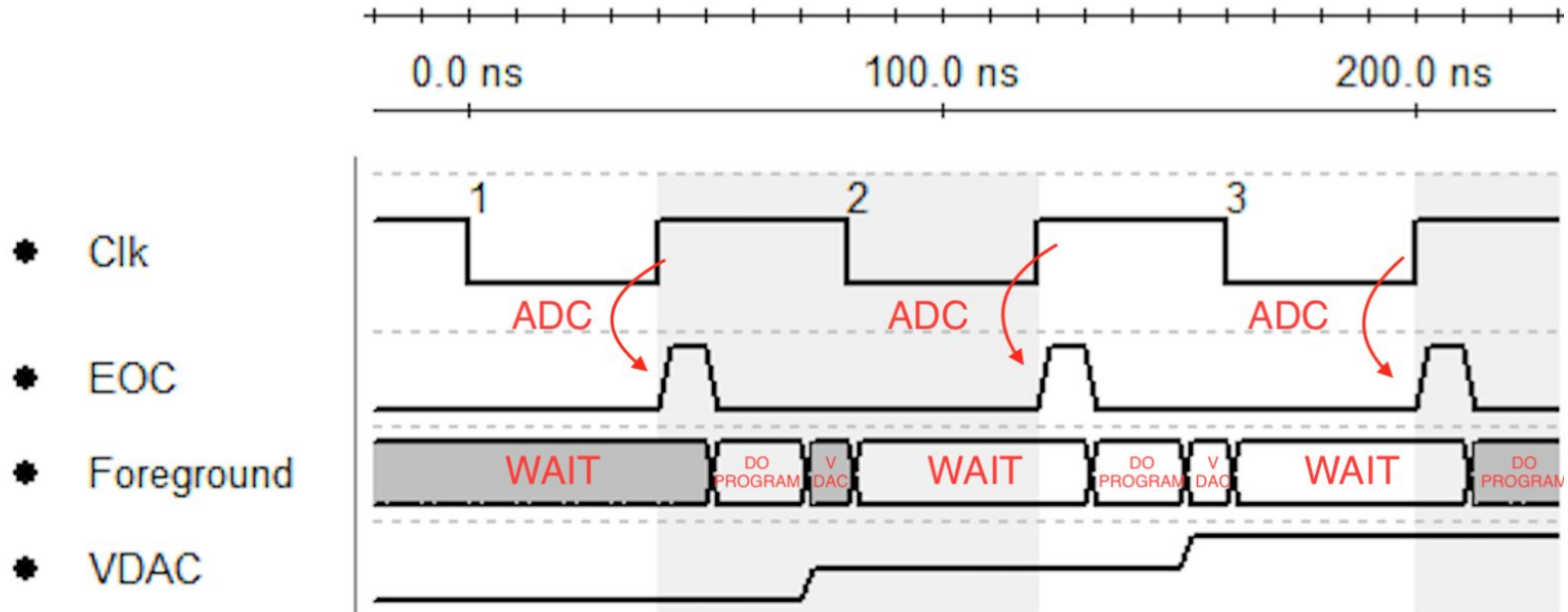
Block Diagram



PSoC Schematic



Timing Diagram



Current Model Code

```
2
3 int main()
4 {
5     int maxs=20000;
6     int sum=0;
7     int windex=0;
8     volatile uint16_t n=10;
9     int delay=2000;
10    int k;
11    uint16_t x;
12    uint16_t gsa [20000]={0};          //sample array initialized to 0
13
14
15    CyGlobalIntEnable;                /* Enable global interrupts. */
16
17    Clock_1_Start();
18    ADC_SAR_1_Start();
19    VDACS_1_Start();
20    LCD_Char_1_Start();
21    LCD_Char_1_Position(0u, 0u);
22
23    for(;;)
24    {
25        LCD_Char_1_ClearDisplay();
26        LCD_Char_1_PrintNumber(n);    //outputs n to display
27        CyDelay(500);
28
29        if( Decrement_n_Read() == 0 ) // if pressed
30        {
31            CyDelay(500);             //to make sure increment/decrement event registers only once per press
32            n=n-1;                    //decrement
33        }
34        else if( increment_n_Read() == 0)
35        {
36            CyDelay(500);
37            n=n+1;                    //Increment
38        }
39
40        ADC_SAR_1_IsEndConversion(ADC_SAR_1_WAIT_FOR_RESULT); //polling
41        x=ADC_SAR_1_GetResult16();
42        gsa[windex]=x;                //indexing sample array
43        sum=0;
44        for(k=0;k<n;++k)
45        {
46            sum+=gsa[(windex+maxs-k*delay)%maxs]; //circular buffer
47        }
48
49        sum=sum>>4;
50        sum=sum/n;                    //Prevents increasing amplitude with every echo
51        VDACS_1_SetValue(sum);
52        windex=(windex+1)%maxs;
53    }
54 }
55
56
```

MATLAB Simulation

- MATLAB was used to debug and simulate the guitar delay pedal
- Utilized FIFO (first in first out), delay and echo

```
FIFO.m x Delay_Model.m x Echo.m x +
1 - FIFO('init');
2 - fs = 20000;
3 - f0=440;
4 - delay = 6000;
5 - n_echos = 6;
6 - x=(1:10*fs);
7 - x=exp(-1.*x./2000).*cos(2*pi()*fs/f0*(1+x/100000).*x);
8 - plot(x(1:1000))
9 - %x(1000:end) = 0;
10 - %sound(x)
11
12 - for n=1:20000 %assuming 10 seconds * 20,000
13 -     y(n)=Echo(x(n),delay,n_echos);
14 - end
15
16 -     sound(y);
17 -     plot(y);
```

```
FIFO.m x Delay_Model.m x Echo.m x +
1 - function y = Echo(x, delay, n_echos )
2
3
4
5 -     sum = 0;
6 -     FIFO('write', x);
7 -     for i = 1:n_echos
8 -         sum = sum + FIFO('read', delay * i);
9 -     end
10 -     y = sum;
11 - end
```

```
FIFO.m x Delay_Model.m x Echo.m x +
1 - function result = FIFO (command, arg)
2 -     if strcmp(command, 'read')
3 -         result = read_fifo(arg);
4 -     else
5 -         if strcmp(command, 'write')
6 -             write_fifo(arg);
7 -         else
8 -             if strcmp(command, 'init')
9 -                 init_fifo();
10 -            end
11 -        end
12 -    end
13 - end
14
15 - function init_fifo()
16 -     global fifo_buf write_ptr MAX_DELAY; % globalizing variables
17 -     MAX_DELAY = 20000;%Max delay of 20kHz
18
19 -     fifo_buf = zeros(MAX_DELAY,1);%buffer = array of all zeros
20
21 -     write_ptr = 1;
22 - end
23 - function val = read_fifo(delay)% Val = fifo output
24 -     global fifo_buf write_ptr MAX_DELAY;
25
26 -     % Read delayed values
27 -     % Delay read_ptr by an amount of samples, based on 'delay'
28 -     read_ptr = mod((write_ptr - 2) - delay + MAX_DELAY, MAX_DELAY)+1 ;
29
30 -     val = fifo_buf(read_ptr);
31
32 - end
33
34 - function write_fifo( val )%using output of read_fifo
35 -     global fifo_buf write_ptr MAX_DELAY;
36
37 -     fifo_buf(write_ptr) = val;
38 -     write_ptr = write_ptr + 1;%increment write_ptr by 1
39
40 -     if (write_ptr > MAX_DELAY)%Once write_ptr is greater than max delay, restart
41 -         write_ptr = 1;
42 -     end
43 - end
44
```

Results

- The results of our guitar delay pedal will be demonstrated in the video below: